

## TRUE BELLS BY GRAND JURY IN REBATE CASES

Johnston, Gilbert and Chesapeake & Ohio Indicted for False Billing.

## NINE COUNTS IN EACH INDICTMENT

May Include Other Officials and Shippers—Johnston Released on Bond, Court Ordering Others to Answer To-Day.

WITHOUT completing its work in connection with the railroad rebate cases, the United States grand jury yesterday reported true bills against William R. Johnston, a wholesale grain dealer of this city; the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, and A. P. Gilbert, assistant general freight agent of that company, for violations of the interstate commerce law through a system of false billing.

There are nine separate counts in each indictment, the papers being prepared by Judge L. L. Lewis, United States attorney, with the findings of the jury. Another session will be held this morning, and though, of course, no one can say what will be the final result, a strong impression prevails that additional indictments will be brought.

**Hall for Mr. Johnston.**

Judge Lewis asked that papers be served in all the cases at once, but this course was not necessary in the case of Mr. Johnston, whose attorneys, Hon. C. V. Johnson and Colonel John Lane Stern, declared that their client would appear without formal service, as he was in the city and ready to come at any time. Judge Waddill was engaged in hearing a damage suit at the time, and not desiring to break in upon it, he instructed the lawyers to return at 6 o'clock, with the view of disposing of the motion immediately entered by Mr. Johnston's counsel for bail. At this hour they appeared, and the district attorney readily agreed to the suggestion, the amount being fixed at \$25,000. Bond was given by Messrs. Edward Alvey and John P. Jacob, two local grain dealers, as surety.

**To Decide About Trial.**

Judge Waddill named Friday morning to set the clock as the hour for the appearance of the grand jury, when the full report of the grand jury will probably be in and a time fixed for the trial.

There was some discussion of this matter yesterday afternoon, and it is thought it will be definitely settled Friday. Judge Waddill directed that the proper papers be served upon the Chesapeake and Ohio officials and upon Mr. Gilbert, requiring them to appear before him along with Mr. Johnston on Friday. A strong array of lawyers will appear on both sides. The government will be represented by Judge Lewis, and the defense by Messrs. Meredith and Stern. It is expected, of course, that the regular attorneys for the Chesapeake and Ohio will appear for the officials of the road. The prosecutions arise out of the investigation made here last winter by the Interstate Commerce Commission. The commission spent many weeks quietly working up the case, and later Commissioner Lane, in an investigation, reporting the findings to the Department of Justice in Washington. Mr. Johnston was an order from Attorney-General Clegg, directing Judge Lewis to bring the matter to the attention of the grand jury, with the view of prosecuting such parties against whom true bills might be found.

At the hearing before Commissioner Lane, the government was represented by Mr. John H. Marble, and Mr. Henry T. Wickham appeared for the Chesapeake and Ohio.

**Nine Separate Counts.**

Though different in phrasing, the indictments against Gilbert and Johnston relate to the false billing of nine carloads of corn from Richmond to Carolina points, each shipment constituting a separate offense. The dates and movements of cars are given as follows:

August 24, 1907, one car of corn to Raleigh, N. C., via Seaboard Air Line.

August 26, 1907, one car of corn to Raleigh, N. C., via Seaboard Air Line.

August 16, 1907, one car of corn to Henderson, N. C., via Seaboard Air Line.

September 1, 1907, one car of corn to Raleigh, N. C., via Seaboard Air Line.

October 3, 1907, one car of corn to Kingston, N. C., via Atlantic Coast Line.

August 2, 1907, one car of corn to Goldsboro, N. C., via Atlantic Coast Line.

September 24, 1907, one car of corn to Goldsboro, N. C., via Atlantic Coast Line.

July 13, 1907, one car of corn to Raleigh, N. C., via Atlantic Coast Line.

Explained by Commissioner.

In his report to the full commission, Commissioner Lane explained the false billing practice in this concise language:

"For some years a fraudulent practice, participated in by certain dealers in grain, has been carried on by the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, has obtained at Richmond, by means of which the railway company has favored such shippers at the expense of the Seaboard Air Line and Atlantic Coast Line. This practice has resulted in the obtaining for such shippers of rates less than local rates over the Seaboard Air Line and Atlantic Coast Line for shipments of grain and coal, and for shipments of packing-house products, which local rates such shippers were legally bound to pay. This result has been accomplished by means of transfer slips issued by the station agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company on the written instruction of the assistant general freight agent of this railway company, and transfer slips have been conveyed to the Southern lines (the statement that such shipments had originated at points beyond Richmond and were entitled to move from Richmond to destination in the Carolinas) at a division of a through rate, such division being less than the actual rate."

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## GAMBLING BILLS IN PERIL

Extraordinary Session to End To-Morrow and Vote May Not Be Had.

ALBANY, N. Y., June 9.—Precarious is the state of the bills framed to carry out Governor Hughes's recommendations for the abolition of the present legal protection of public gambling at race-tracks. Governor Hughes and the friends of the bills confident that they will be passed by the Albany legislature, which is apparently indispensable to the passage of the bills and who has been absent because of illness, will come to Albany to-morrow in time to vote for the bills should they reach that stage of progress.

The peril in which the measures stand tonight, however, is one that lies in the shortness of the time remaining before the hour of 2 P. M. on Thursday, when the leaders of both houses intend to adjourn the extraordinary session without day in order to start for Chicago to attend the Republican National convention. It is the time that will be managed obstruction in either house, or both, might well suffice to prevent the bills coming to a vote at all before adjournment. It became plain to-day that the opposition was depending largely upon the shortness of the remaining time to "talk the bills to death."

The Senate Committee on Judiciary and Codes, to which the bills were referred, acted favorably on both this afternoon. The Assembly Committee on Codes this evening voted 8 to 1 to report them favorably. The bill in the Assembly was reported in the morning by the committee of New York (Democrat), who proposed an amendment providing for the so-called mutual system of betting on races. The bill was reported in the Assembly to-night. They will be reported in the Senate to-morrow. Senator Agnew has given notice that he will move to suspend the rules in order to pass them out of their regular order. This motion will probably precipitate the struggle. Since the day of the close of the regular session when the bills failed by a tie vote of 25 to 25, Senator Wallace, of Niagara Falls, has taken the seat then vacant, and is unequivocally pledged to support these measures. His vote and the wicker's in the affirmative taken for granted, but every one of the other twenty-four is the subject of unceasing speculation. There appears no reason to expect any of the seventeen Democrats or of the eleven Republicans who voted against the bill to change his vote.

## BREWERS TO FIGHT DIVES

Resolution Offered Committing the Association to This Policy.

MILWAUKEE, WIS., June 9.—Resolutions in effect declaring the United States Brewers Association to be in favor of the prohibition of the sale of beer before the convention at its closing session to-morrow. The resolutions were introduced at an executive session of the convention to-day, and while their effect has not been made public, it is understood that they declare that municipal laws in all the States of the Union should have the co-operation of the brewers in their efforts to wipe out disreputable saloons. Arthur Brisbane, of New York, in an address before the association this afternoon, declared that the prohibitionists should clear up their record by the prohibition of the sale of beer, but that the prohibitionists should be argued with as brothers rather than as wild-eyed anarchists. Reports of officers were submitted to-day.

## THE CHERRY LIMB BREAKS

Mr. Martin Falls Forty Feet and Dies From His Injuries.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

LUNACY, VA., June 9.—William D. Martin, a well-known contractor, employee of the Virginia Bridge Company, and a foreman on the construction of a new bridge over the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, was fatally injured yesterday afternoon by falling forty feet out of a tree while gathering cherries. His death, which occurred at his home, was due to internal injuries, though his arm and hip were both broken by the terrible fall.

The breaking of a limb precipitated him to the ground, the heavy butt of the section of the tree striking him in the chest. He fell from a tree which was growing on the farm of W. B. Richard, near Kimball, this county. Recently Mr. Martin had been employed in building a bridge on the Tidewater Railroad. He leaves a widow, two sons, Charles and William, and a daughter, Mary. The deceased was a prominent Odd-Fellow.

## SENATOR GORE CAN SEE

Blind For Twenty-seven Years. He Is Enabled to Distinguish an Object.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—For the first time in twenty-seven years Senator Thomas P. Gore, of Oklahoma, was able to distinguish an object when today for the brief period of thirty seconds, he could see his cuff with his left eye.

For the past week the Senator has been receiving treatment in the Metropolitan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital in this city. If further improvement is shown it may be unnecessary to operate on the Senator's eyes, as had been the intention.

Senator Gore is now more hopeful of regaining the use of at least one eye.

## MARRIAGE OF MIDGETS

Smallest Odd-Fellow in United States Elopes With Mississippian Girl.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

BRISTOL, VA., June 9.—James M. Burnett, the Bristol midget, recently elected to the office of smallest Odd-Fellow in the United States, married Miss Lou Nabors, another midget, at Marietta, Miss., to-day. The marriage was a romantic one, the bride having been introduced to the groom through correspondence after having seen his picture in a magazine. The couple eloped Sunday. The marriage was opposed by the Nabors family, the couple eloped. This marriage challenges the world for a smaller couple.

## SHOT BROTHER WHO WAS BEATING HER HUSBAND

COLUMBIA, S. C., June 9.—Eugene Green, of Greenville, S. C., was shot this afternoon by his wife's sister, Mrs. Alice Campbell. He was in the street engaged in a difficulty with Mrs. Campbell's husband, just in front of the Campbell cottage, when the woman ran out and fired four shots at him. The affair is the outcome of a family difficulty, which started last Sunday. Green may recover.

## GENERAL REDUCTION IN PRICE OF STEEL PRODUCTS

NEW YORK, June 9.—An announcement was made to-night by Judge Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the National Steel Corporation, to the effect that a general reduction in the prices of steel products had been agreed upon by representatives of the large steel interests, after an all-day conference. The reduction affects billets, pig iron, castings, structural iron, merchant pipe and wire nails.

## ROLLERS MEET ON RUSSIAN WATERS

Cordial Greeting From Czar to King in Bay of Reval Yesterday.

## CHILDREN, AND NOT TROOPS, ACT AS GUARD

Imposing Scene as Warships, Escorting Two Royal Parties, Approached Each Other. Crowds of People Cheer Two Monarchs—Political Significance.

REVAL, June 9.—The meeting between King Edward and Emperor Nicholas occurred to-day with due formality. It was the first time that an English monarch has ever made an official visit to Russian waters, and the occasion may have a far-reaching effect on the world's politics of the future.

The day was brilliant with sunshine, and the Imperial yachts, surrounded by British and Russian warships, lying in the roadstead, made a beautiful and imposing picture. The hills and the wooded shores of the bay were crowded with thousands, and the arrival of the British King by sea and the Emperor of Russia by land was made the occasion for unbounded enthusiasm on board the Russian yachts.

During the course of the day the King and the Emperor were the guests of the Dowager Empress at luncheon on board the Russian yacht Polar Star, which was crowded with guests. No speeches were made at this affair, but at the state banquet in the evening on board the Russian yacht Standard, toasts were given and heartily responded to. Both the King and the Emperor spoke in English, and they emphasized the good relations which have existed between the countries in the past years and the peaceful nature of the new understanding. All the warships were brilliantly illuminated, and the yachts Polar Star and Alexandra displayed special electrical effects. Early in the evening boat-loads of German, Estonian and Russian troops steamed into the roadstead and serenaded the royal visitors with national folk songs, and village rounddances. All remained on deck until after midnight listening to the music.

King Edward had a long private conversation with Premier Stolypin after luncheon. Nothing with regard to the purpose of the conversations between the King and the Emperor and the ministers has been published, but it is understood that they touched political relations only in a general way.

**Children Pleased Him.**

The Imperial train bearing the Emperor of Russia and suite arrived here at 8 o'clock this morning.

When the party alighted they were surprised to find the disembarking platform surrounded by a guard of school children of Reval instead of by a detachment of troops. The children cheered enthusiastically, and this welcome evidently made a deep impression on the Emperor and the Empress.

Accompanied by the infant Czarovitch and the little grand duchesses, his sisters, the royal party at once boarded a launch and were taken out to the yacht Standard, which was anchored in the bay. The Dowager Empress, the Queen of Greece, and other notabilities arrived by train one hour later, and were taken on board the yacht Polar Star.

The Emperor wore the uniform of a captain in the Russian navy, the rank attained before the death of his father. The little Czarovitch was clad in a sailor costume.

**Imposing Scene.**

As Emperor Nicholas boarded the Standard the Imperial salute was fired, the royal standard was hoisted to the masthead, and the yachts and all the ships of the harbor of Reval dressed and broke out their bunting. The English vessels, which had arrived in the offing during the night, were now visible on the horizon. They turned and headed direct for the harbor, and came in at full speed in a single line. In the lead was the Victoria and Albert, then were the two cruisers, and in the rear was the Imperial yacht Alexandra, which broke her way through the line of vessels.

Passing outside the Russian vessels, which had formed in two lines, headed respectively by the Standard and the Polar Star, the Victoria and Albert and the two cruisers swept around in a curve coming close in shore, and dropped anchor between the Standard and the Polar Star.

King Edward was on the bridge of the Victoria and Albert and the Emperor occupied a similar position on board the Standard. Both monarchs could be plainly seen from the shore. King Edward wore the uniform of a British admiral.

While the vessels were taking their positions the Russian yachts and the cruisers were thundering a series of salutes.

**Monarchs Meet.**

The minute the visiting vessels dropped their anchors a launch bearing Emperor Nicholas left the side of the Standard, and the Russian monarch, after exchanging very hearty greetings with King Edward, whom he had not seen for seven years, and saluted Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria.

After a few minutes on board the Victoria and Albert Emperor Nicholas returned to the Standard. In the meantime King Edward had donned the uniform of a Russian admiral, and he at once returned the call of the Emperor. On board the Standard he was greeted by Premier Stolypin, Foreign Minister Tawolsky and Vice-Admiral Dikoff, Minister of Marine.

**Mr. Belmont at Death's Door.**

NEW YORK, June 9.—At 12:30 o'clock the watchman at the house of Oliver H. P. Belmont was waiting for the end. Since early yesterday afternoon Mr. Belmont had been unconscious, and all hope of his recovery has been abandoned. His death, his physicians think, is now only a question of hours.

## WEATHER.

Fair.

## CARLIN IS WINNER BY BIG MAJORITY

Defeats Gordon in Eighth District Primary by Nearly 2,000.

## ONLY TWO COUNTIES CARRIED BY GORDON

Louisa Candidate Given Flattering Vote in Home County and Orange, But Falls Far Behind His Claims Elsewhere.

## Majorities in Eighth District Primary

	Carlin, Gordon.
Alexandria city.....	1,524
Alexandria.....	204
Culpeper.....	200
Fairfax.....	150
Fauquier.....	225
King (George) (est.).....	200
Loudoun.....	450
Orange.....	750
Prince William.....	333
Stafford (est.).....	100
	2,876
	1,019

Carlin's estimated majority, 1,857.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., June 9.—Carrying every county except two and with a majority of 2,750 or more, Representative C. C. Carlin was renominated for Congress over John R. Lindley for the eighth district to-day.

These figures represent complete returns from every county in the district except King George and Stafford, which will add to the above. Carlin carried every county in the district except Orange and Louisa. Gordon's majority in Louisa is 260 and in Louisa 750.

A total of 1,636 votes were cast in this city, of which Carlin received 1,524 and Gordon 56, giving Carlin a majority of 1,468.

**Carlin Is Renominated.**

Mr. Carlin was serenaded by a drum corps to-night when it became certain that he was elected. He made a speech in which he paid his respects to several who had made affidavits against him. He also added that he had nothing against the present State, other than Mr. Sterling's flow of Culpeper, make a speech to the crowd in front of his office, and this was warmly applauded. Mr. Carlin then made another address and his remarks were cheered to the echo.

## Gordon Carries Home County.

LOUISA, VA., June 9.—With all the precincts in Louisa county heard from except three, the vote was as follows: Mechanicsville—Gordon, 47; Carlin, 13; Trevlins—Gordon, 75; Carlin, 1; Belle Cross Roads—Gordon, 65; Carlin, 4; Louisa—Gordon, 161; Carlin, 5; Yancyville—Gordon, 38; Carlin, 5; Mineral—Gordon, 46; Carlin, 26; Bran—Gordon, 24; Carlin, 1; Thompsons—Gordon, 12; Carlin, 5; Carlin, 5; Cuckoo—Gordon, 27; Carlin, 8; Fredericks Hall—Gordon, 38; Carlin, 4; Sheltons Mills—Gordon, 38; Carlin, 2; Jackson—Gordon, 50; Carlin, 2; Bumpass—Gordon, 44; Carlin, 9. Total county vote, 801; Gordon, 711; Carlin, 90.

## Culpeper for Carlin.

CULPEPER, VA., June 9.—The following is the vote in Culpeper county by precincts: Catalpa—Carlin, 269; Gordon, 12; Eldorado—Carlin, 57; Gordon, 19; Brandy—Carlin, 7; Gordon, 23; Rixeyville—Carlin, 25; Gordon, 63; Browns Store—Carlin, 61; Gordon, 31; Lignum—Carlin, 48; Gordon, 33; Richardsville—Carlin, 58; Gordon, 14; Stephens—Carlin, 31; Gordon, 12; Mitchell—Carlin, 87; Gordon, 53. Carlin carries Culpeper county by 290 majority.

## Carlin Carries Loudoun.

LEESBURG, VA., June 9.—The returns from twenty-seven precincts out of the twenty-nine in Loudoun county give Carlin 1,006 votes and Gordon 602. This gives Carlin a majority in the county of 404, and it is thought that the other two precincts will increase this.

## Stafford and King George.

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., June 9.—In Stafford county Carlin received 33 majority at Pamouth Precinct, 13 majority at Simpson Precinct, 18 at Brooke Precinct. Gordon received 3 majority at Stafford Courthouse Precinct, and 5 majority at Griffin Precinct. Other precincts yet to hear from Carlin will carry the county by a small majority.

At King George Courthouse, Carlin's majority over Gordon was 10. Carlin carries the county by decisive majority.

## Orange for Gordon.

ORANGE, VA., June 9.—The primary election passed off quietly. A night vote being polled. The result in the county is as follows: R. L. Gordon, 480; C. C. Carlin, 211.

## Light in Gordonsville.

GORDONSVILLE, VA., June 9.—A very light vote was polled here to-day in the election for Congress. Of the 76 votes cast Gordon received 60 and Carlin 16. In three precincts in Orange county Gordon's majority is 121, with four precincts yet to be heard from.

## Prince William.

MANASSAS, VA., June 9.—The election passed off quietly in this county, with but slight interest manifested. Manassas gives Carlin 165, Gordon 37 votes. 548 votes cast in county; Carlin has 333 majority.

## Fauquier.

WARRENTON, VA., June 9.—Eighteen precincts out of nineteen give Carlin a majority of 213. The one remaining precinct will increase this 10 or 15 votes. Warrenton gave Gordon a majority of 95 out of a total vote of 352.

## Fairfax.

FAIRFAX, VA., June 9.—Nearly all the precincts in Fairfax county have been heard from, and Carlin's majority is between 500 and 600.

## READ SPEECH OF DEAD COMMANDER

Absence of General Lee Has Cast Gloom over Reunion At Birmingham.

## GREAT CROWD THERE TO WITNESS OPENING

Election Will Take Place To-Day and Place of Next Meeting Will Be Chosen—Entire City Does Honor To Old Soldiers.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., June 9.—With almost a record-breaking attendance, the eighteenth annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans was opened in this city to-day at the Hippodrome, Birmingham's largest convention hall. The day's sessions were devoted to organization and to welcoming addresses, and the real business of the meeting will come up at to-morrow's session, when a commander-in-chief will be elected, and the place for holding the next reunion will be chosen. In addition to the first session of the veterans' convention to-day there were meetings of the Sons of Veterans, the Confederate Surgeons' Association, the Confederate Memorial Association and other organizations connected with the U. C. V.

**Intense Heat.**

When the convention was called to order by Major-General George P. Harrison at the Hippodrome, which seats 5,000 persons, a crowd of 10,000 was flowing and many failed to get admission.

The weather was extremely warm, and many of the old soldiers suffered much discomfort. A gloom has been cast over the reunion by the recent death of General Lee, who was to preside over the meetings of the veterans and whose annual address had already been prepared. This address was printed and distributed to the veterans to-day, but the reading of it was postponed on account of the great heat.

The convention was opened with a prayer by the chaplain-general, the Rev. Dr. J. William Jones, which was followed by a selection by a children's chorus of 200 voices. Mayor Ward, of Birmingham, then welcomed the veterans on behalf of the city, and Governor Comer spoke for the State. Other welcoming addresses were made by representatives of the local veterans' association.

General E. L. Russell, who was invited by General Lee to deliver the oration to the veterans, was the next speaker. He paid a fitting tribute to General Lee, describing him as a man who appeared in battle, and then discussed the conditions leading up to the war. General Russell was followed by General O. W. Wright.

At the State Fair Grounds to-night, where the Hotel B. B. Gordon, which was opened for the first time, was the scene of a grand fireworks display. The veterans assembled to witness a grand fireworks display.

Among those whose names are mentioned for commander-in-chief are General Clement A. Evans, of the Department of Tennessee; General Cabell, of Texas, and General Gordon, of Memphis.

Citizens of Atlanta and Houston are the contestants for the next convention, and all are making hard fights to secure the honor.

To-night the streets of the city are crowded with the veterans and their families, being estimated that no fewer than 2,000 veterans are in the city, about 8,000 of whom are old soldiers.

## CITY CROWDED WITH VETS

Attendance Larger Than Was Expected—Attention to Virgilians.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., June 9.—The attendance on the reunion exceeded all expectations. Birmingham's hospitality, which has been reputation, is taxed to the limit. Every citizen is doing his best to accommodate the veterans and visitors. Last night and to-day more than thirty special trains have been running into the city, with from eight to fifteen cars each. They were required to accommodate the veterans and their families. The city's resources were strained to the limit, but the veterans and their families were taken care of.

Lee Camp's Train Late.

Lee Camp, of Richmond, did not arrive until this morning at 10 o'clock, after being forty-eight hours on the route via the Southern and Queen and Crescent. The camp brought with it thirty-five men, under command of General D. A. Brown and Adjutant J. R. Lewis. The men were well, and were particularly fortunate in having secured far in advance excellent quarters at the Colonial Hotel. They are without any sort of accident. Two members of Pickett Camp, of Richmond, are with them. Among the members of Lee Camp present are: Charles J. Spence, J. Thomas Brown, W. J. Lightfoot, Jr., Dr. J. R. Bowles, Alexander Jennings, George Dean, J. H. Brauer, Jr., and J. Thomas Brown. About thirty men of A. P. Hill Camp, of Petersburg, under General Smith Bolling, arrived this morning. All are well.

Other Richmond and Virginia people here are W. E. Pierce, Theodore Blyson, Frank F. Sutton, Cliff Well, Dr. Lewis E. Harvie, surgeon of Cabell's Graves Camp, Danville; L. R. Warren, Richmond (who says the attendance is the largest at any of the reunions except one in the Virginia capital); Mrs. G. S. Triplett, Mrs. T. P. Taliaferro, Mrs. E. C. Little, of Richmond; W. Walker, Mrs. Miss Mary Warren, Miss Leslie, of Williamsburg; Mrs. Emma Bartlett, of Petersburg; Mrs. W. J. Brown, of Abingdon; Mrs. John C. Coley, the Misses Reinhardt, of Richmond; Colonel A. J. Bonham, of Buckingham; Miss Hallie Harrison, of Petersburg; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Matthews, of Bristol; Colonel W. E. Matthews, of Bristol.

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## OREGON FOR BRYAN

State Convention Instructs Delegates To Vote For Him.

PORTLAND, ORE., June 9.—The Democratic State Convention here to-day elected four delegates-at-large and two delegates from each congressional district and passed resolutions endorsing William J. Bryan for the presidential nomination. The resolution directed the delegates to vote for Bryan, and the delegates long as his name remains before the convention.

The following were chosen delegates-at-large: M. A. Miller, R. D. Inman, J. A. Booth, W. F. Matlock, J. F. Fry, L. M. Travis, Charles K. Henry and D. M. Watson.

## SPEAK IN LOUISIANA

People Unable to Decide Between Bryan and Johnson.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., June 9.—Because of doubt as to the true attitude of Louisiana's Democracy toward the candidate Governor John A. Johnson, of Minnesota, and William J. Bryan, of Nebraska, for the nomination for President, it was decided here to-day to give both of them an opportunity to appear before the people of the State. The decision was made by the New Orleans Progressive Union, the membership of which included a majority of the veterans of Louisiana. In behalf of this organization, invitations to address the people of the State at New Orleans were to-day wired to Governor Johnson and Mr. Bryan. The New Orleans Progressive Union being non-political, however, and including in its membership a majority of the veterans of the State, the committee having the matter in charge decided that it would be the best form to treat Democrats and Republicans alike, and accordingly similar invitations were extended to Secretary of War Taft, Governor Hughes, of New York; Vice-President Fairbanks, Speaker Cannon and Senator Knox.

## Bryan Not Going.

LINCOLN, NEB., June 9.—William J. Bryan, it is stated, will not go to Louisiana in response to an invitation from New Orleans. Mr. Bryan has planned to go to St. Louis, and it is probably will be at least a month before he goes outside the State. Advertisements were received to-day to the effect that Colonel Henry Watterson, of Louisville, is on his way to Lincoln to confer with Mr. Bryan, and will deliver the oration at the Wesleyan University commencement exercises to-morrow.

## ENTERED ROOM OF LADIES

Young Augusta County Man Charged With Serious Offense.

STAUNTON, VA., June 9.—Calvin Steele, of Staunton, was charged with a serious offense, and was committed to jail to await the action of the Augusta county grand jury, charged with attempted assault on the wife and daughter of I. N. Vines, a nearby neighbor.

Steele entered the house about 2 o'clock this morning and entered the room occupied by Mrs. Vines and her daughter, aged about eighteen. They made an outcry, and the son of Mrs. Vines, who was at home, was aroused and succeeded in capturing the intruder, who claims that he walked in his sleep and was unconscious of what he was doing. Steele is unmarried, about twenty-five years old, and well connected.

## CRAWFORD FORCES WIN

He Defeated Kirtledge for Senate and Vases Will Be Governor.

SIoux FALLS, S. D., June 9.—Returns at midnight from the Republican primary election, though far from complete, indicate the nomination of Governor Crawford for United States Senator over A. V. Kirtledge, the incumbent, by perhaps 8,000 majority. The nomination of State Senator V. G. Vasey, of Waterville, as Crawford's candidate for Governor, is equally probable, while indications point to the nomination of Burkard and Martin, of Kirtledge, or Steward, of Crawford, for Congress. Returns from the Black Hills counties, which are supposed to be solid for Crawford, have not yet been received, but it is not anticipated that their majorities will be sufficient to overcome the Crawford lead in the rest of the State.

This county, the home of Senator Kirtledge, gave him a majority of 450. His hands were expected 900 to 1,000. Governor Crawford's home county, Beadle, gave him a majority of about 700.

## FEATHERSTON OPERATED ON

Lynchburg Lawyer Has Floating Cataract Removed from Eye.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., June 9.—Howell C. Featherston, member of the Virginia House of Delegates, was operated upon at the Medical-Chirurgical Hospital yesterday afternoon for the removal of a floating cataract in his left eye. This is regarded as one of the most difficult operations in surgery. It was performed by Professor E. Water Fox, and was entirely successful.

Mr. Featherston, who is one of the leading lawyers of Virginia, lives in Lynchburg. Two years ago at the same institution his right eye was operated upon for a cataract.

## ALL THINGS ARE READY

Honorable Prepared to Take Care of the Delegation.

ROANOKE, VA., June 9.—Roanoke has everything in readiness for the Democratic State Convention, which meets here on Thursday. Committees have been appointed, headquarters and bureau of information furnished and a large force of volunteers organized. About twenty scattering delegates arrived to-day, including Senator John W. Daniel and General James McGill.

## ANOTHER PROBABLE VICTIM OF MRS. BELLE GUINNESS

EAU CLAIRE, WIS., June 9.—Christie Hilken, who formerly resided here, was mysteriously disappeared from there in 1906, after selling his farm for \$2,000 in cash, it is believed to have been a victim of Mrs. Guinness, of Laporte. The editor of the Decorah (Iowa) Post, for which Hilken subscribed, writes Hilken's friends that the latter had his paper changed to Laporte and the postmaster at Laporte states that Hilken's mail was delivered at Mrs. Guinness's.

## Indorse Mitchell for Vice-President.

DALLAS, TEX., June 9.—At a conference to-day of leading Democrats of Texas, including members of the Democratic National Committee, John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers, was indorsed for Vice-President on the ticket with W. Bryan, and a national campaign was launched.

## SENATORS IN RAGE DENOUNCE VEILED THREAT IN SPEECH

Sensational Scenes at Chicago Accompany Consideration of Several Contests.

## TO BOOM CORTELYOU FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

Secretary of Treasury Said to Be Backed by Taft and Roosevelt. Compromise Between Taft and Anti-Taft Forces Arouses Ire of Wormoth.

CHICAGO, June 9.—After working some days, it is said, with five other meetings of the convention, the Republican National Committee adjourned to-day with two-fifths of its contests decided. This estimate is based upon the actual number of contests filed, sixty having yet to be heard, forty-one having been settled. It is probable, however, that the committee has in reality finished about one-half the total amount of work imposed by the constitution of the States. There are in Texas contests on delegates at large in each of the sixteen districts. These will be consolidated, reducing the aggregate number of delegates to twenty-four. There is a possibility also that consolidation may be made in Virginia and other States. The committee to-day decided fifteen contests, affecting thirty-six delegates; of these twenty-seven are for Taft, and the remaining nine, all of whom are "black and tans" from Louisiana, have tentatively agreed that they will cast their vote for the secretary. There is, however, no binding agreement to that effect.

**Agreement Reached.**

The contests decided to-day affected the delegates at large in Louisiana and Mississippi, and the delegates at large in Louisiana, six in Mississippi and one in Missouri.

The Louisiana contest, which was the most important of the day, resulted in a split delegation, the committee, on a division of twenty to thirty, deciding to seat both the "Whites" or Taft delegation and the "black and tans" with half a vote for each. This agreement was not reached until after repeated conferences and much anxious telegraphing and telephoning between the delegates.

The decision finally reached by the committee was carried out with the full consent and approval of both Secretary Taft and President Roosevelt. It provided that the Republican party in Louisiana shall be reorganized under the direction of a committee of three, composed of the chairman, the secretary and one member of the incoming national committee. The committee to-day passed a resolution indorsing the credentials of the delegates to name as